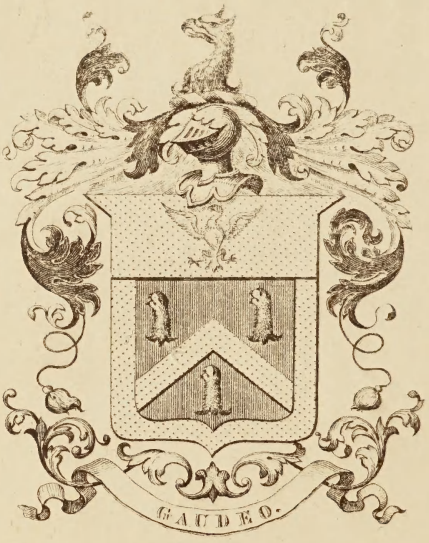

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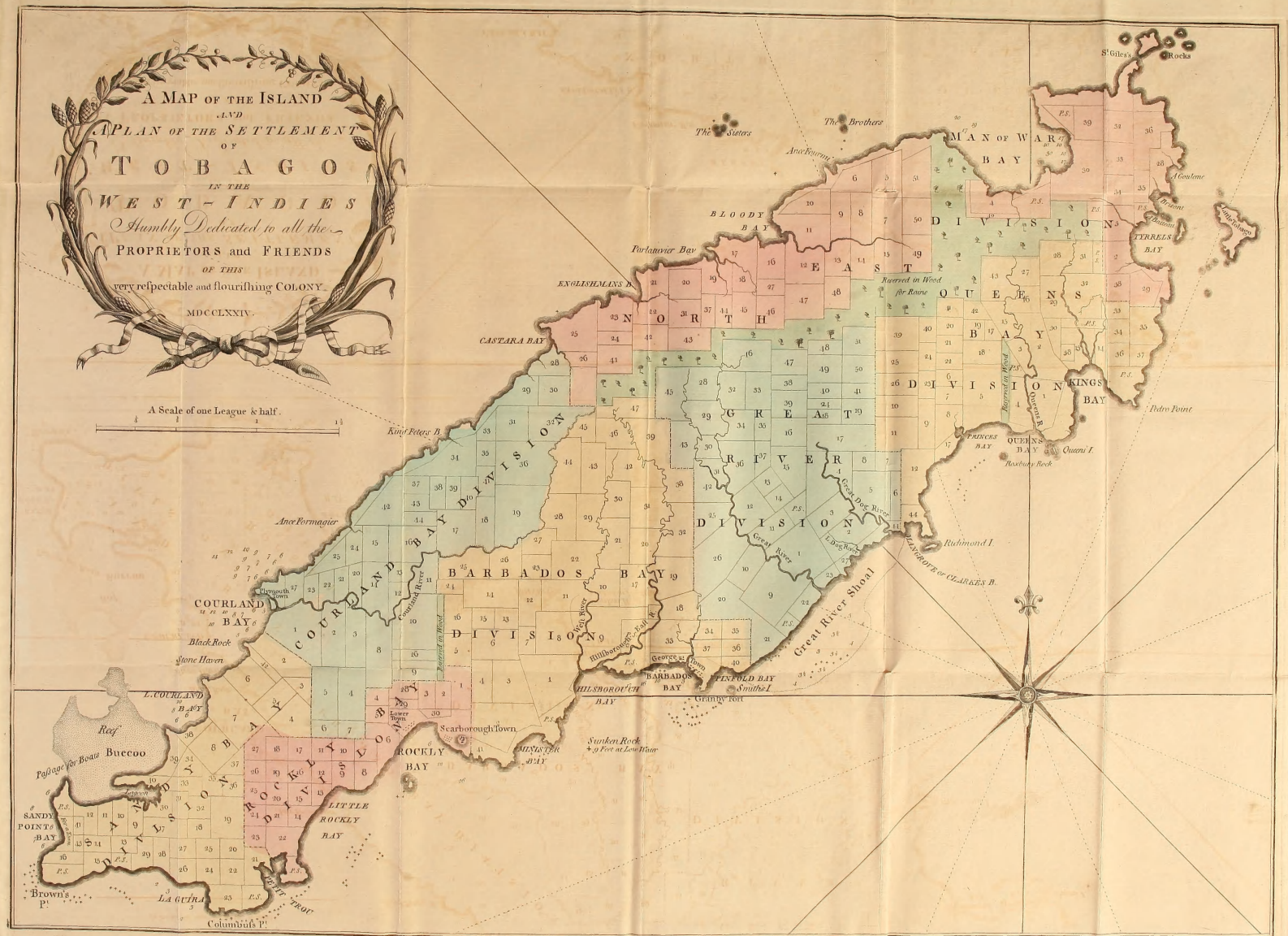
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OF THIS
very respectable and flourishing COLONY
MDCCLXXIV.
A Scale of one League & half.
St Giles I.
Rocks
The Sisters
The Brothers
Ance Rouma
MAN OF WAR BAY
BLOODY BAY
Parlauvier Bay
ENGLISHMANS B.
CASTARA BAY
EAST DIVISION
NORTH DIVISION
GREAT RIVER DIVISION
QUEENS BAY DIVISION
KINGS BAY
TYRRELS BAY
Goulene
Bryant
Plantain
Tobago
Reserved in Wood for Raine
Queens B.
Pedro Point
PRINCES BAY
QUEENS BAY
Queens I.
Rosebury Rock
Great Dog River
Richmond I.
KING GEORGE or CLARKES B.
Great River Shoal
Great River
L. Dog River
King Peters B.
Ance Formagier
COURLAND BAY DIVISION
BARBADOS BAY DIVISION
COURLAND BAY
Plymouth Town
Courland River
Reserved in Wood
Black Rock
Stone Haven
L. COURLAND BAY
Reef
Buccoo
Passage for Boats
SANDY POINT BAY
Sandy Point
Brown's P.t
LA GUIRA
Columbus P.t
ROCKLY BAY DIVISION
ROCKLY BAY
LITTLE ROCKLY BAY
Scarborough Town
Lower Town
Fort Prout
Hillsborough Fort
West River
George st Town
BARBADOS BAY
PINFOLD BAY
Smiths I
HILSBOROUGH BAY
Granby Fort
MINSTER BAY
Sunken Rock
9 Feet at Low Water

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OF

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JOHN CARTER BROWN

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Agreeably to the Sales by his Majeſty's Commiſſioners.

"*La culture de terres demande l'uſage de la monnoie; cette culture ſuppoſe beaucoup d'arts & de connoiſſances; & l'on voit toujours marcher d'un pas égal, les arts, les connoiſſances & les beſoins.*"

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INTRODUCTORY MEMOIRS

OF

TOBAGO.

BY reaſon of the various viciſſitudes this ISLAND has experienced, it hitherto appears more conſpicuous in an hiſtorical than a commercial view. Tobago, originally diſcovered by Columbus, was very early claſſed among our American dominions. In 1628, King Charles I. made a grant of it to William earl of Pembroke; who dying ſoon after, and the civil wars ſucceeding, it is not to be wondered at, that the country fell into neglect, and was open to encroachments.

IN 1632, ſome veſſels belonging to a company of Dutch merchants at Fluſhing, in the province

vince of Zeland, accidentally touched here on their return to Europe from the Brazils; and a moſt flattering account being given them of its natural advantages, they were ſtimulated to attempt its cultivation. Accordingly they ſent near an hundred families hither, with ſtores and utenſils, intitling the colony New-Walcheren *, in honour of their native country: but theſe adventurers were ſpeedily extirpated by the Caraibs from Trinidada, at the ſuppoſed inſtigation of the Spaniards.

A FEW years elapſed, when James duke of Courland † took poſſeſſion of this vacant ſoil, ſome of his ſubjects having previouſly explored theſe parts, in order to derive a new ſource of public emolument. The environs of Courland bay engaged their infant labours, but their firſt

* Columbus gave this iſland the appellation of Tobago, or Tabago, from a whimſical notion that its form reſembled that of a tubical inſtrument, ſo called by the Aborigines, and with which they inhaled the fumes of tobacco—the Indian name of which plant was kohiba.

† He was godſon to king James I.

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care was to provide for their ſecurity by means of a fortreſs.

In 1654, meſſieurs Adrian and Cornelius Lampſin, not diſcouraged by the failure beforementioned, fitted out, at their ſole charge, another conſiderable colony; they were ſurpriſed to find themſelves ſupplanted by the Courlanders—a ſkirmiſh enſued—however, the Dutch thought it moſt prudent to compromiſe matters for the preſent, by acknowledging the duke's ſuperiority, and ſeated themſelves in a ſeparate body at Roodklyp, or Rockly-bay.

Whilst theſe rivals were thus buſy in extending their improvements, the duke of Courland happened in 1659, to have his northern territories ſeized upon, and to be impriſoned by the king of Sweden, then at war with Poland; though it had been agreed at the commencement of hoſtilities, that the duke, who was cloſely connected with either power, ſhould enjoy a neutrality on the occaſion. This revolution brought on another in Tobago; for the Dutch,

now grown formidable by an acceſſion of recruits, obliged the Courlanders to ſurrender James-Fort into their hands, and in return to ſubmit to their authority.

THE Lampſins, ſenſible of the growing importance of this acquiſition, uſed every effort to engroſs it to themſelves:—Louis XIV. created Cornelius, baron of Tobago *: the Dutch Weſt India

* Tranſlation of the patent.

"LOUIS, by the grace of God, king of France and Navarre, to "all to whom theſe preſents ſhall come, greeting:—As there is "nothing excites men more to the performance of great actions, "than the marks of honour which they may thereby acquire to "themſelves and their deſcendants, we always have, after the ex- "ample of our royal predeceſſors, thought that perſons of noble minds "cannot be more ſuitably rewarded, than by raiſing them to ſome "honour and dignity which they can tranſmit to their poſterity, "and cauſe in them a proper emulation; and for the encourage- "ment of others to imitate the ſervices which our dear and well "beloved Cornelius Lampſin, ſenior burgomaſter, and ſenator of "the town of Fluſhing, and perpetual deputy of the province of "Zeland, in the aſſembly of our good friends, allies, and confede- "rates, the ſtates-general of the united provinces of the Nether- "lands, hath done us; and it being our pleaſure to erect the iſland "of Tabago, one of the Antilles in the Weſt Indies, dependent on "our

India company made them a conceſſion of the iſland; and with the concurrence of the ſtates-general,

" our allies and confederates, the ſtates-general aforeſaid, into a " barony, agreeably to the petition he hath preſented to us; we " for theſe cauſes, and other conſiderations thereunto moving us, " of our own proper will, certain knowledge, full power, and royal " authority, create and erect, and by theſe preſents ſigned by " our hand, do create and erect the ſaid iſland of Tabago, with all " its appurtenances and dependencies, into the dignity, title, name, " and pre-eminence of a barony, to be enjoyed and uſed fully, " peaceably, and perpetually, by the ſaid Cornelius Lampſin, his " heirs and ſucceſſors, male or female:—and we will that he be " reputed, thought, and ſtyled baron of Tabago; and that he ſhall " and may call and name himſelf ſuch upon all occaſions, and claim " whatever authority, prerogative, privilege, and pre-eminence, " civil and military, our other barons are accuſtomed to enjoy.— " And moreover, that he ſhall and may take and bear arms, orna- " mented with fleurs de lis and a crown of pearls, according to the " annext exemplification.—And as a further recompence, we have " admitted him into the military order, and given him the honour " of knighthood—And we hereby order all our loving and liege " counſellors, the members of our courts of parliament, chamber " of accounts, courts of aids, bailiffs, ſeneſchals, or their lieutenants, " and all our other juſtices and officers, whom it may concern, to " regiſter theſe our preſent letters of creation and erection of the " barony aforeſaid, that ſo the ſaid Cornelius Lampſin, his de- " ſcendants, whether male or female, and ſucceſſors, may enjoy the " ſame fully, peaceably, and perpetually,—ceaſing, and cauſing to

" ceaſe,

general, they appointed Hubert de Beveren governor of their colony; under whom it began to wear a civilized form, and to export large quantities of tobacco *, indico, pimento, ginger, cotton, ſome ſugar, and other articles peculiar to the tropics.

BUT the duke of Courland being fully reſtored to his feudatory rights, by virtue of the treaty of Oliva, he inſtantly demanded from the

" ceaſe, all troubles and hindrances to the contrary—for ſuch is our " will and pleaſure, notwithſtanding any oppoſition or appeal what- " ſoever.—We order, moreover, all our lieutenants, generals, go- " vernors of our provinces, mareſchals of our camps and armies, " captains, chiefs, and conductors of our ſoldiers, to obſerve the " ſame—We alſo beg and require of all kings, princes, potentates, " and republics, our good friends, allies, and confederates, that " they will cauſe the ſaid Cornelius Lampſin to enjoy fully and " peaceably, the right of knighthood, and the honours, authorities, " privileges, prerogatives, and pre-eminencies which belong to " him herein ſpecified.—And that they may remain for ever firm " and in force, we have cauſed our ſeal to be fixed to theſe pre- " ſents. Given at St. Germain's, in the month of Auguſt, in the " year of our Lord 1662, and of our reign the twentieth."

* This favourite plant was alſo cultivated in Barbados and St. Kitts, the oldeſt ſettlements in the Weſt Indies, long before the ſugar cane was adopted.

ſtates-

ſtates-general, the reſtitution of his fort and ſettlement in this iſland; which they refuſing to comply with, he addreſſed himſelf to king Charles II. for the ſupport of his pretenſions; in conſequence of which, his majeſty was pleaſed to gratify him with a grant of the whole premiſſes, agreeably to the following recital:

" BE IT KNOWN unto all and ſingular per-
" ſon and perſons, to whom theſe preſents ſhall
" come, that on the 17th of November, in the
" year of our Lord 1664, by a double writing
" of the ſame tenor and language, it was agreed
" between the moſt ſerene and moſt potent
" prince Charles the II. &c. of the one part,
" and the moſt illuſtrious prince James duke in
" Livonia, of Courland and Semigallia, on the
" other part, that the ſaid lord the king, by
" theſe preſents, doth give and grant to the ſaid
" lord the duke of Courland, &c. * full liberty
" of trade and commerce, for ſuch ſhips as do
" properly belong to him or them, but not ſuch
" ſhips as belong to any of his ſubjects, in any

* Abbreviation for "his heirs or ſucceſſors."

" rivers

" rivers or havens within the dominions of his
" majeſty on the coaſt of Africa, which is called
" by the name of Guinea; as alſo in any mer-
" chandize, not exceeding the value of 12,000l.
" ſterling yearly, according to the prices the
" ſaid merchandizes were firſt bought for on
" thoſe coaſts and places from whence they
" were exported; together with full liberty to
" build one or more ware-houſe or ſtore-houſe
" under the caſtles and forts which ſhall belong
" to his ſaid majeſty or his ſubjects on thoſe
" coaſts, to hold and enjoy the ſaid liberties as
" long as there doth continue friendſhip, amity,
" or good underſtanding between the ſaid king
" and the ſaid duke: and upon due conſidera-
" tion of the conceſſion or grant thus made by
" his majeſty, the ſaid duke of Courland grants
" and makes over unto his ſaid majeſty, &c.
" the fort of St. Andrew in Guinea, and all the
" other forts, fortifications, and ſconces, there
" belonging to the ſaid duke, together with all
" guns, bullets, and powders, and other inſtru-
" ments of war, belonging to the ſame, or any
" of thoſe forts.

" And

" And the ſaid duke of Courland doth agree " and promiſe for himſelf, &c. that they ſhall " reſpectively pay to the ſaid lord the king, &c. " three in the hundred for cuſtoms of all goods " and merchandizes in ſpecie, as into the ports " of his ſaid majeſty in Guinea, or thence ex- " ported as aforeſaid; and that unto ſuch offi- " cer, or officers, his majeſty ſhall eſtabliſh or " depute, for the recovery or receipt of the ſaid " cuſtoms or duties.

" And moreover, his ſaid majeſty, by theſe " preſents, doth give and grant to the ſaid duke " of Courland, &c. all and every that iſland call- " ed Tabago, ſituate above twelve degrees north " latitude, and three hundred and ſixteen de- " grees of longitude, being one of thoſe com- " monly called the Caribbee iſlands, together " with all the lands, creeks, rivers, and profits, " to the ſame belonging, to be held and enjoyed " under the king's protection.

" Provided always, and under the condi- " tion, that the ſaid duke of Courland ſhall " not

" not ſuffer, or permit, any other whatſoever,
" beſides his own ſubjects, and the ſubjects of
" the ſaid lord the king, to abide in the ſaid
" iſland, to ſettle plantations, or build houſes;
" but the ſubjects of the ſaid lord the king, ſhall
" be always freely permitted to abide in the
" ſaid iſland, and to have plantations and
" houſes, and to enjoy all ſuch privileges, liber-
" ties, immunities and benefits, as any of the
" ſubjects of the ſaid duke ſhall, or may have,
" hold, uſe, or enjoy, without any contradiction
" or oppoſition; neither ſhall they be compell-
" ed to pay any other contributions, or impo-
" ſitions whatſoever, ſaving ſuch as are neceſſa-
" rily required for the defence of the ſaid iſland,
" and equally and in the ſame proportion with
" thoſe paid by the ſubjects of the ſaid duke.
" Moreover, the ſaid duke agreeth and pro-
" miſeth, that neither himſelf, nor any other,
" for the uſe of him or his ſubjects, ſhall ex-
" port or import, or ſuffer to be exported or
" imported, any merchandizes, goods, or pro-
" viſions of the ſaid iſland, otherwiſe than out
" of, or into ſome ports belonging to England

" and

" and Courland, or the port of the city of " Dantzick.

" MOREOVER, for the acknowledgement that " the ſaid duke of Courland doth hold and en- " joy the ſaid iſland of Tabago under his maje- " ſty, it is further provided and agreed, that " when, and as often as the ſaid king ſhall re- " quire it, or be engaged in a war againſt any " other king, prince, or ſtate, except only the " king of Poland, the duke of Courland, at his " own proper coſts and charges, from time to " time, ſhall bring, or cauſe to be brought, one " good man of war, furniſhed with forty great " iron guns, to ſuch port, ſtation, or place, as " his ſaid majeſty ſhall name ; into which ſhip " his majeſty ſhall put commanders and ſeamen, " and ſupply them with food and wages, under " the conduct, and at the expences of the ſaid " king, ſo long as the ſaid ſhip ſhall abide in his " ſervice, which at one time ſhall never exceed " the limits of a year.

" FOR the teſtimony and undoubted confir-

" mation whereof, the aforeſaid parties, namely,
" the moſt ſerene and moſt potent king of
" England, and the moſt illuſtrious duke of
" Courland, have ſet their hands interchange-
" ably to the mutual agreement contained and
" explained in theſe preſents, and moreover
" have applied their great ſeals for the eſtabliſh-
" ment thereof."

THOUGH this negotiation was duly notified to the ſtates-general, they paid little or no attention to it; and on account of the enſuing wars between us and them, the duke neceſſarily poſtponed his plan of operations.

IN the firſt Dutch war, this iſland did not eſcape the depredations of our privateers, to whom it was quite ſubſervient, until it became the rendezvous of the combined fleets, the French having declared for the republic, which from hence greatly harraſſed our inſular ſettlements; however, they were at laſt totally deſtroyed by ſir John Harman off St. Chriſtophers; a circumſtance which accelerated the

pacification

pacification at Breda; but no particular proviſo was made therein reſpecting Tobago.

PREVIOUS to the ſecond Dutch war, which broke out in the ſpace of five years, the forts of Beveren and Bellviſte were aſſiduouſly completed in addition to thoſe of Lampſinberg and Fort-James: the colony too having increaſed to upwards of a thouſand whites, and affording a numerous militia, they now preſumed they had nothing to fear—however, ſir Tobias Bridges made a ſudden incurſion on them with a regiment from Barbados, and carried off a great many negroes.

A SEPARATE peace being concluded on between us and the ſtates-general in 1675, when a mutual reſtoration of places took effect, the Dutch were at leiſure to exerciſe their marine againſt our late allies and confederates the French, at Cayenne—the loſs of that ſettlement, bordering on Surinam, though eaſily recovered, was haſtily reſented on Tobago by count d'Eſtreés, who attacked admiral Binkes's ſqua-

dron lying at anchor in Rockly-bay; but after a very deſperate engagement, in which moſt of his ſhips were burnt, ſtranded, or diſabled, the troops on ſhore being alſo unfortunate, he was compelled to return home; nevertheleſs, as he did equal miſchief to the enemy, his conduct was highly applauded at Verſailles, and he was diſpatched hither again in leſs than four months:—he then debarked a large body of regulars, and inveſted the principal fort, which making a braver reſiſtance than was expected, he had recourſe to a bombardment; and the third bomb falling into the magazine of powder, a great part of Fort-Lampſin was blown up, by which means admiral Binkes, and moſt of the garriſon periſhed.—The reduction of this colony, (diſappointed of a reinforcement,) inevitably enſued; and nothing but devaſtation and ruin being to be ſeen throughout the iſland, it was abſolutely relinquiſhed and evacuated on the 27th of December, 1677.

The Dutch intereſt being thus completely terminated in Tobago, the duke of Courland

reſumed

reſumed his former intentions; for the better advancement of which, he, in 1683, appointed captain Pointz his agent in London, to offer lands here to ſuch of the Engliſh as choſe to accept of them: this ſhews that the duke's title under the grant before mentioned, was looked upon as inconteſtible; to corroborate which, it may be obſerved, that upon a petition being preferred to the French monarch, by ſome of his own ſubjects, for a grant of this iſland, under colour of its belonging to him in right of conqueſt—he nobly replied, "that it was the property of a "prince who had never offended him, and "therefore he would not interfere to his pre-"judice." Alſo in 1693, when both we and the Dutch were at war with France, captain Pointz republiſhed his propoſals, under the patronage and protection of king William III. of which no notice was taken by the ſtates-general. Notwithſtanding all which, theſe latter efforts to eſtabliſh a colony here, were ſo exceedingly languid and dilatory, that they proved totally abortive.

THE male line of the houſe of Kettler, dukes of Courland, becoming extinct in 1737, on the demiſe of Ferdinand, ſon to James aforeſaid, the fief of this iſland of courſe reverted to the crown of Great Britain.

SOME national diſturbances, however, having ariſen relative to the claims of St. Lucia and other neighbouring iſlands, it was ſtipulated by the treaty of Aix-la-Chapelle, that Tobago ſhould be denominated one of the four neutrals; in which dormant ſtate it continued, though not without being ſtill ſuſceptible to trifling infringements on the part of the French, and to jealous altercations on ours, until it was concluſively ceded or yielded to us in conjunction with the Grenades, St. Vincent, and Dominica, in 1763; a year which cloſed a long and proſperous war, and gave birth to the vigorous recolonization of this very memorable iſland, under the auſpices of the happieſt of governments and the beſt of ſovereigns.

SUMMARY ACCOUNT

OF THE

PRESENT STATE

OF

TOBAGO.

THIS, the moſt ſouthern of all the Britiſh American iſlands, lies in 11° 20″ north latitude; 60° 20″ weſt longitude from the meridian of London; within thirty-five leagues of Barbados, twenty-five of Grenada, and in ſight of Trinidada; it is thirty-three miles long, from ſix to twelve broad, and expands N. E. and S. W.

THE ſurface of the hither extremity is more elevated than the leeward, which contains a very ſpacious

ſpacious ſavanna ; the interior parts are promiſcuouſly interſected with eaſy hills, and moſt deſireable vallies.

THE ſoil is univerſally rich and inexhauſtibly deep—it conſiſts chiefly of a ſtiff brown mold, with ſubſtrata of clay, marl, or gravel.

THE ſeaſons, diſtinguiſhed by the wet and dry, periodically relieve each other—Vegetation is perpetual, and ſo amazingly luxuriant, that it indiſputably evinces the congeniality of the ſoil and climate.

THE diviſions, or pariſhes, are ſeven ; each ſubdivided into allotments of five hundred acres downward to one hundred and leſs, which began to be ſold (excepting ſuch as were given gratis to poor ſettlers) by his majeſty's commiſſioners *, on the 20th May, 1765, and continued

* The commiſſioners were, ſir William Young, bart. who was alſo receiver, John Hunt, Robert Stewart, Robert Wynne, and William Hewit, eſquires—John Gregg, eſq; ſecretary to the board.

The

tinued to be diſpoſed of by them annually, till the 15th May, 1771, when the ſales ended.

SEVERAL

The terms and conditions of ſale were, "That no perſon ſhould "be permitted to purchaſe from the crown, either in his own "name, or in the names of others in truſt for him, more than five "hundred acres.

"That the higheſt bidder for each lot ſhould be declared the pur- "chaſer, and immediately depoſit twenty *per cent.* of the whole "purchaſe-money, and ſixpence ſterling for each acre, to defray "the expence of ſurveying the ſame; whereupon he ſhould receive "a bill of ſale and certificate from the board, which intitled him to "a grant in fee-ſimple from the governor-general, or commander "in chief of Grenada and its dependancies, which grant was re- "quired to be regiſtered by the ſecretary of the iſland.

"That in caſe of fraud, colluſion, or contravention to the king's "inſtructions, and not otherwiſe, the grant ſhould be revocable "for the ſpace of twelve months from the date thereof, by the lords "commiſſioners of the treaſury in England; but if not revoked "within that term, the ſame ſhould then be abſolute—if revoked, "timely notice thereof ſhould be given, and the depoſit-money re- "funded with intereſt, and reaſonable compenſation for any im- "provements.

"That of the purchaſe-money remaining due, ten *per cent.* more "than the twenty before mentioned, ſhould be paid within the firſt "year after the date of the bill of ſale—ten *per cent.* the ſecond "year, and the reſt by three equal yearly inſtalments; but in de- "fault of any of the ſaid payments, the lands ſhould be liable to be "forfeited and reſold, to make good the deficiency to the crown, "and the overplus be the property of thoſe intitled to it.

SEVERAL ſpots are reſerved in wood, for the purpoſe of attracting the clouds; as otherwiſe the country, which becomes every day more campaign, airy, and pleaſant, might in future be liable to droughts.

IT is a peculiar advantage to this iſland, that it is always ſafe from hurricanes.

THE bays are all navigable with circumſpection; and ſo numerous, that no plantation can

" That from twelve months after the date of the grant, the purchaſer ſhould clear away, at the rate of five acres in the hundred " annually, until one half of the land ſhould be cleared, under a " penalty of five pounds ſterling *per annum* for every acre not " cleared, in purſuance of this condition.

" That for every hundred acres of cleared land, the purchaſer " ſhould be poſſeſſed of, he ſhould keep thereon one white man, or " two white women, under a penalty of forty pounds ſterling for " every ſuch man, and twenty for ſuch woman wanting; and alſo " pay an annual quit-rent of ſixpence ſterling, for every acre of " cleared ground.

" That all payments ſhould be made to the receiver in good gold " ſpecie, to be taken by weight, at £. 3 : 8 : 3 ſterling per ounce; " and bonds be given by the purchaſers for the payments of the " ſeveral inſtalments," &c.

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be above ſix or ſeven miles from a convenient ſhipping place.

THE rivers are rapid, and facilitate the conſtruction of water mills.

THE woods furniſh a ſuperabundance of durable timbers *.

THE iſland affords a choice variety of native fiſh, fleſh, and fowl; particularly the turtle—the wild hog and picary—the plover and cocrico—The common ground proviſions, fruits, &c. are eaſily attainable.

EXPERIENCE proves that this iſland is moſt

* It is extraordinary, that the nutmegtree, plentiful as it is in Tobago, ſhould not be found in any other part of the Weſt-Indies—whether it be an exotic or not, is unknown—the nut and the mace which ſurrounds it, are not, degenerated as they are, a bad ſubſtitute for thoſe eaſtern ſpices—it has been lately tranſplanted into the iſland of St. Vincent, by a medical gentleman, in hopes of reclaiming it. The cinnamon and pimento trees, alſo grow here ſpontaneouſly, with an infinity of botanical tribes, which have been repeatedly deſcribed by profeſſed naturaliſts.

admirably adapted by nature, for the cultivation of the ſugar cane.—The exports of this manufacture * have already gradually amounted to about ten thouſand hogſheads;—this year alone yields about half that quantity; the next may riſe to ſeven, and ſo on very probably (it being the prevailing ſtaple commodity), to thirty thouſand hogſheads, excluſive of indico, cotton, &c. all of which are ſubject to an impoſt or cuſtom of four and an half per cent.

A MULTIPLICITY of Britiſh dry goods, Iriſh ſalt proviſion, American flour, lumber, cattle, &c. &c. are continually importing.

AT Scarborough-town, public buſineſs is uſually tranſacted—George-town is alſo a place of much trade; contiguous to which is Granby-fort, garriſoned with two companies of regulars †.

THE legiſlature is compoſed of the com-

* The firſt export of ſugar, was in 1769, by the hon. Gedney Clarke, eſq; of Barbados.

† From the 48th regiment.

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mander in chief for the time being at Grenada;—a council board, of which the lieutenant-governor is premier; and a houſe of repreſentatives: courts of judicature are alſo eſtabliſhed, with other official arrangements.

For authentic information concerning the civil polity, recourſe may be had to the bye-laws of the iſland.

The white inhabitants, among whom are many ladies who would do honour to the politeſt circles, do not exceed ſeven hundred. The negroes, amounting to about twelve thouſand, are kept in awe by an active militia.

The price of land keeps pace with the credit and growing improvements of the colony.

In conſequence of the late notorious bankruptcies in Europe, which materially affected the whole planting intereſt, parliament very providently paſſed "An act to encourage the ſubjects "of foreign ſtates to lend money upon the ſe-

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" curity of freehold or leaſehold eſtates, in any " of his majeſty's colonies in the Weſt-Indies; " and to render the ſecurities granted to ſuch " aliens effectual for recovering payment of the " money ſo to be lent, by ſale of ſuch freehold " or leaſehold eſtates."

THE expences attending a new ſugar ſettlement are eſtimated at fifty pounds ſterling per acre; and the nett profits accruing therefrom, by a prudent, ſkilful, and ſpirited management, at about twenty per cent.—*Hic labor, hoc opus.*

A PROLIXITY of topographical deſcription is carefully avoided, as well as a tedious enumeration of geographical names,—theſe more properly preſenting themſelves to view in the prefixt map of the iſland and plan of its ſettlement, which together with the ſubſequent liſt of the ſales, the profeſſed object of this compilation, will, it is hoped, prove equally correct, pertinent, and ſatisfactory.

LIST

LIST

OF THE

SALES, &c.

BARBADOS-BAY-DIVISION, or

Time of Sale.	Lot.	Acres.	Price.
May 20, 1765.	1	500	£. 1 : 0 : 0
	2	500	1 : 0 : 0
	3	300	1 : 0 : 0
	4	200	1 : 0 : 0
March 19, 1767.	5	200	1 : 0 : 0
	6	300	1 : 0 : 0
May 20, 1765.	7	100	1 : 0 : 0
	8	400	1 : 0 : 0
	9	500	1 : 0 : 0
	10	200	1 : 0 : 0
	11	300	1 : 2 : 0
	12	200	1 : 0 : 0
March 19, 1767.	13	100	1 : 0 : 0
	14	300	1 : 0 : 0
	15	100	1 : 1 : 0
	16	200	1 : 0 : 0
May 20, 1765.	17	300	1 : 0 : 0
May 16, 1766.	18	200	1 : 0 : 0
	19	300	1 : 0 : 0
	20	200	1 : 0 : 0

PARISH OF ST. GEORGE.

Original Purchasers.	Present Proprietors.
William Young	Gilb. and P. Francklyn
Robert Stewart	Alex. John Alexander
Henry Fisher	Late M. Martindale, 250
Ditto	H. Fisher & J. Luke, 250
Samuel Clapham	Late John Birkmer
Roger Smith	Thomas Cotton
Alex. Stevenson	Gilb. and P. Franklyn
Ditto	
Timothy Blenman	William Blenman
Robert Wynne	Walter Kennedy
John Hunt	James Orr and Co.
Ditto	
Roger Smith	Thomas Cotton
William Stewart	James Orr and Co.
Archibald Kennedy	Thomas Cotton
Samuel Clapham	Thomas Baker
Robert Wynne	Walter Kennedy
Samuel Martin	Thomas Tipping
Ditto	
David Fogo	David Fogo

BARBADOS-BAY DIVISION, or

Time of Sale.	Lot.	Acres.	Price.
May 16, 1766.	21	300	1 : 0 : 0
	22	400	1 : 0 : 0
March 19, 1767.	23	200	1 : 3 : 0
May 9, 1769.	24	80	2 : 15 : 0
March 19, 1767.	25	380	1 : 0 : 0
	26	220	1 : 0 : 0
	27	200	1 : 0 : 0
May 16, 1766.	28	300	1 : 0 : 0
	29	200	1 : 0 : 0
March 19, 1767.	30	200	1 : 4 : 0
	31	300	1 : 1 : 0
April 19, 1768.	32	300	1 : 9 : 0
	33	290	3 : 2 : 0
	34	100	1 : 15 : 0
	35	100	1 : 0 : 0
	36	100	2 : 3 : 0
	37	110	2 : 1 : 0
June 5, 1770.	38	200	11 : 0 : 0
	39	300	5 : 0 : 0
	40	42	2 : 0 : 0

PARISH of St. GEORGE.

Original Purchasers.	Present Proprietors.
James Ruſſel	Late James Ruſſel
A. Wilſon & J. Hamilton	Wm. Donaldſon
John Evans	W. Lucas and W. Stuart
John Charlton *Robert Alexander* *Theodore Alexander*	Torquil Macvicar
James and Thomas Lucas	W. Lucas and W. Stuart
Charles Payne Sharpe *Ditto*	Joſeph Maynard
William Bartlet	Clarke and Edmondſon
George Guiſe	Robt. and Alex. Lyon
William Lucas	William Lucas
John Colby *Ditto*	John Robley
Thomas Bridgewater *Michael Croker*	David Mill
John Colby	John Robley
Edward Hawkins	Edmund Lincoln
C. Craig and P. Campbell	C. Craig & P. Campbell
Michael Croker	David Mill

BARBADOS-BAY DIVISION, or

Time of Sale.	Lot.	Acres.	Price.
June 5, 1770.	41	120	7 : 0 : 0
	42	250	6 : 0 : 0
May 15, 1771.	43	200	6 : 11 : 0
	44	300	6 : 1 : 0
	45	200	4 : 10 : 0
	46	200	4 : 11 : 0
	47	200	4 : 10 : 0

COURLAND-BAY DIVISION, or

May 20, 1765.	1	500	1 : 0 : 0
May 12, 1766.	2	300	1 : 0 : 0
	3	300	1 : 2 : 0
May 16, 1766.	4	300	1 : 0 : 0
May 12, 1766.	5	300	1 : 0 : 0
March 19, 1767.	6	100	1 : 3 : 0
	7	100	1 : 6 : 0
May 16, 1766.	8	400	1 : 0 : 0
March 19, 1767.	9	200	1 : 11 : 0
May 12, 1766.	10	500	1 : 0 : 0
March 19, 1767.	11	200	1 : 11 : 0
May 16, 1766.	12	100	1 : 0 : 0
	13	100	1 : 0 : 0

PARISH of St. GEORGE.

Original Purchaſers.	Preſent Proprietors.
Alex. John Alexander	A. J. Alexander
P. and G. Fergusſon	Pat. and Geo. Fergusſon
Arthur Leary Piggot	A. L. Piggot
Ditto	
Thomas Bridgewater	David Mill
John Birkmer	Late J. Birkmer
John Knight	Spyres and Steere

PARISH of St. DAVID.

James Simpſon	J. Simpſon, G. Francklyn
William Brown	Colhoun and Co.
J. Macnae and J. Young	Jn. Macnae and Co.
G. and J. Kearton	Thomas Fairholme
Thomas Gibbon	Jn. and Ant. Gibbon
Jn. and Anth. Gibbon	
James Hamilton	P. Maxwell & J. Balfour
George Young	Stevenſon and Bremner
Theodore Alexander	Wilſons and Douglas
Thomas Brown	Walker and Co.
Andrew Allon	Torquil Macvicar
Anthony Richardſon	G. Francklyn
Ditto	

BAR-

COURLAND-BAY DIVISION, or

Time of Sale.	Lot.	Acres.	Price.
May 16, 1766.	14	300	£. 1 : 0 : 0
March 19, 1767.	15	200	1 . 0 : 0
May 16, 1766.	16	300	1 : 0 : 0
March 19, 1767.	17	300	1 : 4 : 0
	18	200	1 : 0 : 0
	19	400	1 : 1 ; 0
	20	100	4 : 1 : 0
	21	100	3 : 8 : 0
	22	100	3 : 11 : 0
	23	100	3 : 0 : 0
April 19, 1768.	24	100	1 : 11 : 0
	25	120	2 : 0 : 0
	26	100	1 : 0 : 0
	27	100	1 : 7 : 0
June 5, 1770.	28	100	3 : 5 : 0
	29	150	4 : 0 : 0
May 15, 1771.	30	200	5 : 6 : 0
June 5, 1770.	31	200	4 : 18 : 0
	32	250	4 : 8 : 0
	33	200	5 : 0 : 0

PARISH OF ST. DAVID.

Original Purchasers.	Present Proprietors.
Anthony Richardson	G. Francklyn
Torquil Macvicar	Torquil Macvicar
Ditto	
Alex. John Alexander	
John Burn	Caldwell Craig
Thomas and James Lucas	W. Lucas & W. Stuart
Richard Ottley	James Ottley
Ditto	
Ditto	
Ditto	
Tho. and Ant. Gibbon	Jn. and Ant. Gibbon
Ditto	
Thomas Rainey	J. Millar & D. Campbell
Richard Ottley	James Ottley
William Hewit	William Lucas
Walter Fenner	Walter Fenner
William Lucas	—— Campbell
George Glover	Late Glover
Martha Glover	
William Forbes	W. and G. Forbes

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COURLAND-BAY DIVISION, or

Time of Sale.	Lot.	Acres.	Price.
May 15, 1771.	34	300	£. 5 : 17 : 0
June 5, 1770.	35	100	9 : 14 : 0
	36	400	7 : 3 : 0
	37	100	5 : 6 : 0
	38	100	4 : 12 : 0
	39	100	5 : 6 : 0
	40	100	5 : 6 : 0
	41	100	5 : 6 : 0
	42	300	10 : 5 : 0
	43	100	6 : 10 : 0
	44	100	5 : 0 : 0

GREAT-RIVER DIVISION, or

May 12, 1766.	1	500	1 : 0 : 0
	2	300	1 : 0 : 0
	3	200	1 : 0 : 0
	4	500	1 : 0 : 0
	5	400	1 : 5 : 0
	6	100	1 : 0 : 0
April 19, 1768.	7	100	1 : 0 : 0
	8	100	1 : 0 : 0
May 16, 1766.	9	500	1 : 0 : 0

PARISH OF ST. DAVID.

Original Purchasers.	Present Proprietors.
Charles Mackay	C. Craig
James Hamilton	John Hamilton
William Forbes	Wm. and Geo. Forbes
Alex. Stewart	Wm. Bartlet
Walter and John Irvine	Walter and John Irvine
Ditto	
Alex. Stewart	John Hamilton
James Hamilton	
George Forbes	W. and G. Forbes
Richard Farr	Richard Farr
Ditto	

PARISH OF ST. MARY.

John Haſlen	Gedney Clarke
Alex. Brown	J.Graham&J.B.Bernard
Ditto	
Gedney Clarke	Gedney Clarke
Walter Pringle	
Ditto	
Tho. Bridgewater	Simon Fraſier
Ditto	
Henry Smith	Gedney Clarke

GREAT-RIVER-DIVISION, or

Time of Sale.	Lot.	Acres.	Price.
March 19, 1767.	10	200	1 : 13 : 0
May 12, 1766.	11	200	1 : 0 : 0
March 19, 1767.	12	300	1 : 0 : 0
	13	100	1 : 0 : 0
	14	100	1 : 0 : 0
	15	300	1 : 1 : 0
	16	200	1 : 1 : 0
	17	400	1 : 1 : 0
	18	100	1 : 0 : 0
	19	200	1 : 0 : 0
	20	300	2 : 1 : 0
	21	200	1 : 8 : 0
April 19, 1768.	22	76	1 : 10 : 0
	23	76	1 : 8 : 0
May 9, 1769.	24	85	1 : 10 : 0
	25	200	2 : 16 : 0
	26	500	2 : 18 : 0
	27	70	1 : 4 : 0
June 5, 1770.	28	200	4 : 0 : 0
	29	200	6 : 10 : 0

PARISH OF ST. MARY.

Original Purchaſers.	Preſent Proprietors.
Richard Green	Daniel Elder
John Byres	—— Gordon
James Faulconer	James Faulconer
Ditto	
Ditto	
Rowland Green	William Forbes
Ditto	
William Alexander	William Pulteney
Ditto	
Andrew Allon	
Richard Green	L. Chauvette & J. Clark
Ja. and Tho. Lucas	John Macnabb
Frederic Corſar	Gedney Clarke
Charles Simpſon	
William Macintoſh	William Pulteney
James Irwin	James Irwin
Edmund Lincoln	Edmund Lincoln
J. Graham & J. B. Bernard	Graham and Bernard
William Iriſh	Late Iriſh
Ditto	

GREAT-RIVER-DIVISION, or

Time of Sale.	Lot.	Acres.	Price.
June 5, 1770.	30	100	7 : 1 : 0
	31	100	7 : 0 : 0
May 15, 1771.	32	200	6 : 4 : 0
	33	200	3 : 13 : 0
	34	200	4 : 12 : 0
	35	100	3 : 7 : 0
June 5, 1770.	36	300	7 : 10 : 0
	37	100	8 : 5 : 0
May 15, 1771.	38	100	2 : 13 : 0
	39	200	3 : 1 : 0
June 5, 1770.	40	100	3 : 3 : 0
	41	100	3 : 15 : 0
	42	200	8 : 0 : 0
	43	200	7 : 6 : 0
	44	40	4 : 1 : 0
May 15, 1771.	45	300	5 : 0 : 0
	46	300	3 : 2 : 0
	47	200	3 : 3 : 0
	48	100	2 : 3 : 0
	49	200	4 : 11 : 0

PARISH OF ST. MARY.

Original Purchasers.	Present Proprietors.
Robert Walton	Robert Walton
Ditto	
William Stuart	William Stuart
Wm. and John Iriſh	Late Iriſh
John Demonchey	John Demonchey
Ditto	
John and Samuel Clarke	Jn. and Wm. Clarke
George Forbes	William Forbes
Richard Burke	Late Macdonald
Wm. and Samuel Iriſh	
Pet. & Sam. Maddock	Lewis Chauvette
Ditto	
George Gibb	Edmund Lincoln
Patrick Sharpe	James Sharpe
Benjamin Brown	Gedney Clarke
John Dumareſq	John Dumareſq
William Stuart	William Stuart
William Clinton	William Clinton
Richard Burke	Richard Burke
Ditto	

GREAT-

GREAT-RIVER-DIVISION, or

Time of Sale.	Lot.	Acres.	Price.
May 15, 1771.	50	200	4 : 0 : 0
	51	200	2 : 14 : 0

NORTH-EAST DIVISION, or

April 19, 1768.	2	200	£. 1 : 0 : 0
	3	200	1 : 0 : 0
	4	200	1 : 0 : 0
May 9, 1769.	5	300	2 : 13 : 0
	6	200	3 : 0 : 0
	7	300	2 10 : 0
	8	200	3 : 7 : 0
	9	200	3 : 10 : 0
	10	200	3 : 6 : 0
April 19, 1768.	11	300	1 : 6 : 0
	12	300	1 : 19 : 0
	13	200	1 : 5 : 0
May 9, 1769.	14	200	3 : 1 : 0
	15	200	2 : 10 : 0
April 19, 1768.	16	200	1 : 0 : 0
	17	200	1 : 0 : 0
	18	100	1 : 4 : 0
	19	200	2 : 7 : 0

PARISH of St. GEORGE.

Original Purchasers.	Present Proprietors.
Patrick Ferguſon	Pat. and Geo. Ferguſon
Edward Hicks	Edward Hicks

PARISH of St. JOHN.

William Naſh	George Guiſe
Ditto	
John Piggot	John Piggot
Ja. & Dun. Campbell	James Campbell
Ditto	
Richard Farr	Richard Farr
John Aitchiſon	Alex. Campbell
Ditto	
Archibald Macgee	James Begbie
A. Wilſon & J. Hamilton	Henry Fowke
Ditto	James Ferguſon
Wm. Karſt & Tho. Bird	William Sloane
Burryeau and Douglas	Douglas and Young
Ditto	
William Lindow	William Stewart
John Hunt	James Ottley
John Charlton	
William Williams	John Mackay

NORTH-

NORTH-EAST-DIVISION, or

Time of Sale.	Lot.	Acres.	Price.
May 9, 1769.	20	200	£.3 : 9 : 0
April 19, 1768.	21	100	1 . 0 : 0
	22	200	1 : 0 : 0
May 9, 1769.	23	200	4 : 11 : 0
	24	100	3 : 1 : 0
	25	300	5 : 17 : 0
	26	100	3 : 11 : 0
April 19, 1768.	27	100	1 : 0 : 0
May 9, 1769.	28	200	3 : 6 : 0
	29	200	4 : 0 : 0
	30	500	2 : 19 : 0
	31	200	3 : 8 : 0
June 5, 1770.	32	200	4 : 16 : 0
	33	200	5 : 0 : 0
	34	200	4 : 11 : 0
	35	100	4 : 6 : 0
	36	300	6 : 3 : 0
	37	100	3 : 5 : 0
	38	120	6 : 3 : 0
	39	200	5 : 5 : 0

PARISH OF ST. JOHN.

Original Purchasers.	Present Proprietors.
Robert Young	Robert Young
Arthur Leary Piggot	Gilbert Petrie
Ditto	
James Macintosh	
Ditto	
Patrick Ferguson	Pat. and Geo. Ferguson
John Charlton	J. Charlton
William Lindow	Wm. Stewart
George Guise	Alexander Gordon
R. Buglass and A. Scott	Ralph Buglass
Abram Markoe	—— Macevoy
Ed. Hawkins & J. Johnston	Edward Hawkins
Alex. Stewart	Alexander Stewart
William Young	Cheap, Callow and Paul
Rob. Irving & J. Phipps	R. Irving and J. Phipps
Alex. and Nat. Gordon	Alexander Gordon
Ditto	
Edward Hawkins	Ralph Skelton
Alex. Stewart	William Bartlet
J. and J. Clark	L. Chauvette & J. Clark

NORTH-EAST-DIVISION, or

Time of Sale.	Lot.	Acres.	Price.
May 15, 1771.	40	100	£.2 : 16 : 0
	41	200	5 : 1 : 0
	42	200	6 : 0 : 0
	43	200	5 : 5 : 0
	44	100	6 : 10 : 0
	45	200	6 : 10 : 0
	46	200	5 : 6 : 0
	47	300	6 : 1 : 0
	48	200	5 : 15 : 0
	49	200	3 : 0 : 0
	50	300	4 : 2 : 0
	51	300	6 : 0 : 0
	52	100	4 : 3 : 0
June 5, 1770.	Little Tobago		805 : 0 : 0

QUEEN's-BAY-DIVISION, or

May 12, 1766.	1	300	1 : 0 : 0
	2	400	1 : 0 : 0
	3	100	1 : 0 : 0
	4	200	1 : 0 : 0
March 19, 1767.	5	500	1 : 11 : 0
	6	100	1 : 0 : 0

PARISH of St. JOHN.

Original Purchasers.	Present Proprietors.
William Lucas	John Piggot
Thomas Townsend	Gilbert Petrie
Wm. Donaldson	David Mill
C. W. and J. Irvine	Messrs Irvines
Edward Hawkins	Ralph Skelton
C. W. and J. Irvine	Messrs Irvines
G. Stevens and W. Gray	C. Craig & heirs of Gray
C. W. and J. Irvine	Messrs Irvines
Jn. Leith and C. Irvine	J. Leith and C. Irvine
Boulter Johnston	B. Johnston
Hugh Munro	H. Munro
Thomas Fairholme	T. Fairholme
Thomas Bridgewater	T. Bridgewater
Jn. Luke and H. Fisher	J. Luke and H. Fisher

PARISH of St. PAUL.

William Young *Jn. Dearman Nanton* *Ditto* *William Young*	Sir Wm. Young and late R. Stewart
D. Mill and A. Young	Archibald Stewart
Duncan Campbell	James Campbell

QUEEN's-BAY-DIVISION, or

Time of Sale.	Lot.	Acres.	Price.
March 19, 1767.	7	100	£. 2 : 10 : 0
	8	200	2 : 3 : 0
	9	200	1 : 10 : 0
	10	200	1 : 13 : 0
	11	300	2 : 3 : 0
	12	300	2 : 12 : 0
April 19, 1768.	13	200	1 : 0 : 0
May 9, 1769.	14	100	1 : 6 : 0
	15	100	2 : 4 : 0
	16	200	3 : 5 : 0
	17	48	2 : 2 : 0
June 5, 1770.	18	200	6 : 3 : 0
	19	100	4 : 1 : 0
	20	100	4 : 15 : 0
	21	100	4 : 5 : 0
May 15, 1771.	22	100	3 : 10 : 0
June 5, 1770.	23	100	5 : 5 : 0
May 15, 1771.	24	100	3 : 1 : 0
June 5, 1770.	25	200	3 : 1 : 0
	26	200	7 : 2 : 0

PARISH OF ST. PAUL.

Original Purchafers.	Preſent Proprietors.
Duncan Campbell	James Campbell
Ditto	
Samuel Sandbatch	
William Todd	Robert Young
Ditto	
John Mill	L. Chauvette & J. Clark
John Piggot	John Piggot
Ditto	
R. Buglaſs & A. Scott	J. and T. Spotteſwoode
Ditto	
Ja. and Duncan Campbell	Campbell & Williamſon
Archibald Stewart	Archibald Stewart
Wm. Howard Brown	W. H. Brown
Appleby Gilpin	Ap. Gilpin & Jn. Hinds
Ditto	
Alex. Campbell	Alex. Campbell
William Young	Robert Young
Alex. Campbell	Alex. Campbell
Jn. Luke and H. Fiſher	J. Luke and H. Fiſher
William Young	Robert Young

QUEEN's-

QUEEN's-BAY-DIVISION, or

Time of Sale.	Lot.	Acres.	Price.
	27	200	£.6 : 1 : 0
	28	200	6 : 15 : 0
	29	200	6 : 16 : 0
June 5, 1770.	30	90	6 : 10 : 0
	31	150	4 : 15 : 0
	32	350	6 : 10 : 0
	33	100	4 : 5 : 0
	34	100	4 : 7 : 0
May 15, 1771.	35	200	5 : 5 : 0
June 5, 1770.	36	100	5 : 5 : 0
May 15, 1771.	37	100	1 : 12 : 0
June 5, 1770.	38	60	8 : 0 : 0
	39	300	3 : 8 : 0
	40	100	6 : 7 : 0
May 15, 1771.	41	100	4 : 4 : 0
	42	100	4 : 14 : 0
	43	300	6 : 10 : 0
	44	60	2 : 2 : 0
March 19, 1767.	Queen's Island		11 : 0 : 0

PARISH OF ST. PAUL.

Original Purchasers.	Present Proprietors.
John and Samuel Clarke	John and Wm. Clarke
Ditto	
Ditto	
Ditto	
Cha. Guſtavus Meyers	Late R. Stewart
John Guiſe	George Guiſe
Jn. Luke and H. Fiſher	J. Luke and H. Fiſher
Ditto	
John Sharpe	James Campbell
William Young	John Piggot
John Sharpe	James Campbell
John Piggot	John Piggot
William Beaty	Wm. Beaty
Ditto	
Roderick Williamſon	Campbell & Williamſon
Ditto	
Alexander Young	Alexander Young
Thomas Bridgewater	L. Chauvette & J. Clark
Robert Stewart	Late R. Stewart

ROCKLY-

ROCKLY-BAY-DIVISION, or

Time of Sale.	Lot.	Acres.	Price.
March 19, 1767.	1	200	£. 2 : 0 : 0
	2	100	2 : 14 : 0
	3	100	2 : 17 : 0
	4	100	1 : 18 : 0
	5	100	2 : 12 : 0
	6	170	2 : 2 : 0
	7	100	2 : 11 : 0
	8	85	2 : 11 : 0
	9	100	2 : 10 : 0
	10	100	2 : 1 : 0
	11	100	0 : 0 : 0
	12	100	2 : 16 : 0
	13	70	3 : 0 : 0
	14	100	2 : 7 : 0
	15	100	2 : 11 : 0
	16	100	3 : 1 : 0
	17	100	1 : 15 : 0
	18	100	1 : 0 : 0
	19	100	1 : 10 : 0
	20	100	1 : 0 : 0

PARISH of St. ANDREW.

Original Purchasers.	Present Proprietors.
Robert Young	David Young
Archibald Scott	Robert Young
Ditto	
J. Dumaresq & M. Croker	P. Maxwell & J. Balfour
Ditto	
Ditto	
Ditto	
John Dumaresq	William Young
Ditto	A. L. Piggot
James Hamilton	P. Maxwell & J. Balfour
Rochelle, an Indian	Rochelle
Robert Young	William Young
Ditto	
Ditto	
William Young	
Ditto	
Mutter, Donaldson, and Duncan	John Hamilton
William Karst	Timans & late Davison
Ditto	

ROCKLY-BAY-DIVISION, or

Time of Sale.	Lot.	Acres.	Price.
March 19, 1767.	21	100	£. 1 : 0 : 0
	22	190	1 : 2 : 0
	23	100	1 : 2 : 0
	24	100	1 : 0 : 0
	25	100	1 : 1 : 0
	26	100	1 : 1 : 0
	27	145	1 : 0 : 0
April 19, 1768.	28	100	3 : 13 : 0
	29	60	4 : 2 : 0
June 5, 1770.	30	50	15 : 0 : 0

SANDY-BAY-DIVISION, or

May 12, 1776.	2	300	1 : 0 : 0
March 19, 1767.	3	100	1 : 2 : 0
	4	300	1 : 5 : 0
May 12, 1766.	5	200	1 : 0 : 0
	6	400	1 : 0 : 0
	7	500	1 : 0 : 0
	8	300	1 : 0 : 0
	9	100	1 : 0 : 0
	10	100	1 : 0 : 0
March 19, 1767.	11	100	1 : 4 : 0

PARISH OF ST. ANDREW.

Original Purchasers.	Present Proprietors.
George Glover	A. L. Piggot
Allen Cameron	James Elder
Ditto	
George Glover	A. L. Piggot
John Melvill	John Melvill
Ditto	
John Hamilton	John Hamilton
Ruſſel and Alexander	Wilſons and Douglas
Ditto	
Robert Young	Robert Young

PARISH OF ST. PATRICK.

William Whitehead	Simpſon and Francklyn
William Bartlet	Willock and Croſier
P. Campbell & A. Anderſon	P. Campbell & C. Craig
Drury Ottley	Willock and Croſier
Richard Ottley	George Gibb
Rich. and Joſ. Steele	Mathews and Macvey
Ch. Irvine and Jn. Leith	C. Irvine and J. Leith
Charles Simpſon	A. Symſon & W. Robert-
Ditto	ſon
William Gardiner	

SANDY-BAY-DIVISION, or

Time of Sale.	Lot.	Acres.	Price.
March 19, 1767.	12	100	£. 1 : 6 : 0
May 12, 1766.	13	100	1 : 0 : 0
	14	100	1 : 0 : 0
	15	96	1 : 0 : 0
	16	100	1 : 0 : 0
March 19, 1767.	17	200	1 : 11 : 0
	18	100	1 : 0 : 0
May 16, 1766.	19	300	1 : 0 : 0
March 19, 1767.	20	140	1 : 0 : 0
—— ——	21	150	1 : 3 : 0
—— ——	22	140	1 : 3 : 0
	23	140	1 : 0 : 0
	24	125	1 : 8 : 0
	25	100	1 : 3 : 0
	26	120	1 : 5 : 0
March 19, 1767.	27	100	1 : 5 : 0
	28	100	1 : 1 : 0
	29	100	1 : 1 : 0
	30	100	1 : 10 : 0
	31	100	1 : 14 : 0

PARISH OF ST. PATRICK.

Original Purchaſers.	Preſent Proprietors.
William Gardiner	A. Symſon and W. Robertſon
Charles Simpſon	
Samuel Clapham	Samuel Clapham
William Whitehead	J. and T. Spotteſwoode
Ditto	
Hugh Smith	G. Campbell & W. Bruce
Ditto	
John Hamilton	P. Campbell & C. Craig
Archibald Kennedy	Walter Kennedy
Allen Cameron	James Elder
Ditto	Walter Kennedy
Archibald Kennedy	
Mathews & Marwade	Walter Carew
B Brown & W. Carew	
Ditto	
Ditto	
William Reven	William Sloane
Dunn and Williams	
Richard Whitewood	Joſeph Robley
Ditto	

SANDY-

SANDY-BAY-DIVISION, or

Time of Sale.	Lot.	Acres.	Price.
March 19, 1767.	32	100	£.1 : 0 : 0
	33	100	2 : 0 : 0
	34	100	2 : 8 : 0
	35	100	1 : 0 : 0
	36	100	1 : 1 : 0
	37	100	1 : 0 : 0
June 5, 1770.	38	40	2 : 10 : 0
	39	60	2 : 5 : 0
	40	60	4 : 5 : 0
	41	40	1 : 12 : 0
	42	50	7 : 5 : 0
	43	40	2 : 16 : 0

PARISH OF ST. PATRICK.

Original Purchasers.	Present Proprietors.
James Hamilton	G. Campbell & W. Bruce
Roger Smith	Do. and Jos. Robley
J. Leith & Ch. Irvine	C. Irvine and J. Leith
Ditto	
Ditto	
Ditto	
Ditto	
Ditto	
Joseph Robley	Joseph Robley
Symson and Robertson	Symson and Robertson
J. Simpson & G. Francklyn	Simpson and Francklyn
Thompson Spotteswoode	J. and T. Spotteswoode

Total

Total of each Diviſion *or* Pariſh.

	Acres.	L.	s.	d.
Barbados-Bay-Diviſion,	11,192	22,448	10	0
Courland-Bay - do. -	8,720	24,460	0	0
Great-River - do. -	10,447	28,528	18	0
North-Eaſt - do. -	10,520	37,753	0	0
Queen's-Bay - do. -	7,558	26,855	6	0
Rockly-Bay - do. -	3,170	6,733	15	0
Sandy-Bay - do. -	5,801	7,279	10	0
	57,408	154,058	19	0

Total of each Year *or* Sale.

Year.	Acres.	L.	s.	d.	Average.
1765 —	4,000 —	4,030 :	0	0 —	1 : 0 : 1¾
1766 —	11,096 —	11,226 :	0	0 —	1 : 0 : 2
1767 —	14,975 —	21,853 :	15	0 —	1 : 9 : 2
1768 —	4,632 —	7,125 :	18	0 —	1 : 10 : 4
1769 —	5,183 —	16,457 :	6	0 —	2 : 15 : 0
1770 —	9,362 —	55,045 :	0	0 —	5 : 17 : 7
1771 —	8,160 —	38,321 :	0	0 —	4 : 13 : 11
	57,408	154,058 :	19	0	2 : 13 : 8

THE poor ſettlers lots, denoted by *P. S.* in the plan of the iſland, amount to about 1500 acres; and the reſerved land, excluſive of the three chains round the coaſt for forts, &c. may be reckoned about 2500 more.

PUBLIC

PUBLIC DEPARTMENTS.

Governor and Commander in Chief of Grenada,
Tobago, St. Vincent *and the* Grenadines,
His excel. William Leybourne Leybourne, esq; *.

Lieut. Governor of Tobago †,
The hon. William Young, esq.

Council ‡.

Hon. Peter Campbell,
John Leith,
Walter Robertson,
Joseph Robley,
Edmund Lincoln,
Arch. Stewart, esqrs,
Hon. Gilb. Francklyn,
James Elder,
David Mill,
Graham Campbell,
and
George Gibb, esqrs.
Deputy Clerk of Council, Charles Ashwell, esq.

* His predecessor, major-general Robert Melvill.

† Late lieutenant-governors, Alexander Brown and Roderick Gwynne, esqrs, deceased.

‡ Late members, president Robert Stewart, Benjamin Brown, Archibald Kennedy, and John Hall, esqrs, deceased.

Aſſembly.

Hon. Thomas Fairholme, Eſq; *Speaker.*

James Simpſon,
John Hamilton,
Peter Francklyn,
James Ottley,
Charles Irvine,
James Orr,
Alexander Lyon, eſqrs.
James Campbell,
Walter Carew,
Alexander Gordon,
John Balfour,
Edward Hawkins,
and
John Phipps, eſqrs.

Clerk of Aſſembly, John Fowler, eſq.

Chief Juſtice, hon. Walter Robertſon, eſq.

Secretary and Regiſter, Alexander Wood, eſq; *.

Deputy, James Gordon, eſq.

Naval Officer, Edward Sedgwick, eſq; *.

Deputy, Joſeph Robley, eſq.

Provoſt Marſhall, Henry Ellis, eſq; *.

Deputy, John Campbell, eſq.

Surveyor General of the Cuſtoms †,
Hon. William Senhouſe, eſq.

Collector, Peter Francklyn, eſq.

* By patent, for all the ceded iſlands.

† All the Weſt-India iſlands, except Jamaica, are compriſed in his diſtrict, and he is officially entitled to a ſeat in the council of each reſpective government.

Comptroller,

Comptroller, Alexander Gordon, esq.

Searcher, John Fowler, esq.

Landwaiter, ——— ———

Receiver of Quit Rents, Peter Francklyn, esq.

Postmaster, William Rustat, esq.

Deputy Commissary of Stores, and Vendue Master, Archibald Calder, esq.

Fort-adjutant, John Baker, esq.

Public Treasurer, George Gibb, esq.

Agent in London, Richard Maitland, esq.

TOBAGO.

AT a court of oyer and terminer, held on the third of June, 1772, for the trial of criminal cauſes in this iſland, the chief judge gave the following charge; which, together with the conſequent addreſſes, being declaratory of the proſperous ſtate of the colony, they will therefore conclude theſe pages in a pleaſing and proper manner.

Gentlemen of the grand jury!

THIS being the firſt time of calling a grand jury in this infant colony, it is with particular pleaſure and ſatisfaction, that I ſee ſuch a number of gentlemen aſſembled here to diſcharge the duties of ſo important a truſt. It may, perhaps, appear unneceſſary, on this occaſion, conſidering the perfect knowledge you, gentlemen, have of the real ſtate of the iſland, and the general ſcope of the laws, to point out your duty to you; but the cuſtom of the neighbouring colonies ſeems to make it proper

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for me to ſay ſomething to you from the ſeat I have now the honour to fill.

THE inſtitution of grand juries ſtands in the firſt rank of the many excellencies of which our happy conſtitution is formed. The well-being of every country in a great meaſure depends upon the wiſe frame of its laws to reſtrain and puniſh offenders, and on a due execution of ſuch laws: it became abſolutely neceſſary for the ſupport of government, and the ſafety of the ſubject, that ſome perſons ſhould be inveſted with power to enquire into all crimes and offences whatever; and it was no leſs needful, for the ſecurity and quiet of every man, that ſuch a truſt ſhould be delegated to men of integrity and impartiality, who might not ſuffer the guilty to eſcape proſecution for their crimes, nor the innocent to be oppreſſed by falſe, weak, or vindictive accuſations.

FOR theſe wiſe and neceſſary purpoſes, grand juries were inſtituted, which are, therefore, compoſed of perſons of the firſt rank and credit in the

the country, who from their circumſtances and character are the leaſt liable to be awed by power, biaſſed by favour, or influenced by any undue means. The qualifications eſſentially neceſſary for the able diſcharge of this truſt are diſcernment, integrity, humanity; diſcernment to inveſtigate truth, integrity to preſent that truth, humanity to prevent malicious, and to ſuppreſs frivolous and litigious proſecutions.—Perſuaded that theſe great and good qualities are happily blended in the preſent reſpectable grand jury, I ſhall only recommend to you to revolve on the oath you have taken, as a ſure guide through the ordinary courſe of your buſineſs; and remind you, that the reputation, the liberty, the lives of your fellow-ſubjects may become the objects of your care. On the other hand, you have the order, the police, the proſperity of the community in general to preſerve. By you offenders are to be brought within the reach of juſtice; by you the innocent are to be delivered from the apprehenſion of unmerited puniſhment; and by a faithful diſcharge of your duty, you will ſhew that the laws are not con-

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fined to individuals, or the poor and neceſſitous; but that the actions of the rich and moſt powerful are equally ſubject to them.

THE difficulties which the ſettlers of this fruitful iſland met with, were uncommonly great; and I cannot omit this opportunity of obſerving, that it is much to the honour of the inhabitants that every obſtacle to its ſettlement has been hitherto ſurmounted by their fortitude, perſeverance, and unremitting diligence; qualities, in the exertion of which they have been much encouraged to continue, by the patriotic example of the gentleman who preſides over us as lieutenant-governor, ſo much to the eſſential benefit of the colony, to the ſatisfaction of the ſettlers, and to his own honour.

SUCH information, as it may be proper for you to have from his majeſty's counſel at law *, I am perſuaded he will give you with the utmoſt candour and integrity.

* James Elder, eſq.

To the hon. Walter Robertſon, *eſq; chief judge of his majeſty's court of oyer and terminer held for this iſland.*

WE the gentlemen of the grand jury for the iſland of Tobago, beg leave to return your honour our moſt ſincere and hearty thanks, for your inſtructive and obliging charge to us on the opening of the court.

We are very ſenſible that grand juries were inſtituted for the wiſe and good purpoſes mentioned in your charge; and we flatter ourſelves that we have, on this occaſion, anſwered the ends of the inſtitution.

It affords us much pleaſure to find only two offences againſt the public brought before us, and none other committed, during the time this iſland has been under cultivation. We likewiſe are very happy in acquainting your honour (this being the firſt occaſion of the kind ſince the ſettlement began) that the inhabitants live

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in great friendſhip with one another; and we have the moſt pleaſing hope that nothing will happen to interrupt our preſent harmony.

We are particularly obliged to your honour for your good opinion of us as men, which we will endeavour to maintain, by exerting all our abilities, in our different capacities, for the good of the community.

It is with particular ſatisfaction that we reflect on the ſafety and ſecurity in which our lives and fortunes now are; and we hold in the higheſt eſteem the fortitude and perſeverance of the lieutenant-governor, and of many other ſpirited and induſtrious proprietors, who after ſurmounting every obſtacle, have brought the ſettlement of the iſland to ſo great a degree of perfection, and have formed and eſtabliſhed a proper police, for regulating the conduct of its inhabitants; this police we will, as far as lies in our power, preſerve and improve.

We cannot take leave of your honour on the preſent occaſion, without expreſſing the great reſpect and eſteem which we have for your honour, and the other judges of this court; and we heartily wiſh that our ſeats of juſtice may always be filled with judges ſo capable of advancing the credit and proſperity of this colony, by a due and faithful adminiſtration of juſtice.

Peter Francklyn, Foreman.

To the hon. William Young, *eſq; lieutenant-governor of his majeſty's iſland of* Tobago.

We the gentlemen of the grand jury, at a court of oyer and terminer held for the iſland, take this the firſt opportunity to expreſs the high eſteem and reſpect we have for your honour.

The wiſe and ſpirited manner in which you have been pleaſed frequently to exert yourſelf, in quelling the late inſurrections, and the unremitting attention you have always ſhewn in adopting every meaſure tending to promote the

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ſecurity and proſperity of this iſland, demand our moſt grateful acknowledgements.

HAVING finiſhed the buſineſs for which we were aſſembled, we ſhall depart for our reſpective habitations, with the pleaſing expectation of ſeeing this infant colony advance daily towards maturity under your care; and we will endeavour, in our different ſtations, to follow your honour's example of zeal and aſſiduity for the public welfare.

PETER FRANCKLYN, &c.

Mr. foreman, and gentlemen of the grand jury!

IT gives me the higheſt ſatisfaction that my conduct has met with your approbation.

THE candour and abilities of the judges; the integrity, ſpirit, and activity which ſo eminently diſtinguiſh the inhabitants of this iſland; and the prudent choice that has been made of a very reſpectable grand jury, muſt greatly redound to its peace and credit.

I AM glad to find that the only two perſons accuſed of crimes ſince the ſettlement of the colony have been acquitted at the commiſſion of oyer and terminer; and am convinced, that the ſettlement of no iſland was ever carried on by gentlemen of greater honour and probity, unanimity and juſtice.

WILLIAM YOUNG.

" *Quid vovcat dulci nutricula majus alumno,*
" *Qui ſapere, et fari poſſit quæ ſentiat; et cui*
" *Gratia, fama, valetudo contingat abunde,*
" *Et mundus victus, non deficiente crumena?*"

Horace, lib. 1. epiſt. 4.

THE END.

APPENDIX.

DIRECTIONS for ſailing into the principal bays of TOBAGO.

IF you make the iſland towards evening, and are afraid of running in with it, you muſt not by any means lie too, but ſtand to the ſouthward under an eaſy ſail; otherwiſe the current, which always ſets to the N. W. or N. E. will probably occaſion your loſing ſight of the iſland; and may carry you ſo far to leeward, that you will not be able to fetch it again.

QUEEN'S-BAY.

THE anchorage is very ſafe within about one and a half cable's length from the ſhore. Give the iſland off the point a good birth to windward; but if you can procure a pilot, it will be proper to have one.

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MANGROVE-BAY,

Is very ſafe and ſnug for veſſels under 250 tons; but there is a ſunken rock in the middle of the entrance which may be dangerous to a ſtranger.

BARBADOS-BAY.

In running down the ſouth ſide, to avoid Great-River ſhoal, keep the eaſt end of Little-Tobago open with Smith's iſlet, until the latter bears N. W. when you may luff up for the bay; but you muſt be careful to avoid a reef of coral rocks, which runs out from Granby-Point about a cable's length. Within the reef is very good anchorage, from twelve to ſeven fathom.

ROCKLY-BAY,

Is ſafe and deep, where veſſels may anchor from fifteen to ſeven fathom, and no danger in ſtanding in boldly. In running down to this bay, care muſt be taken of the ſunken rock that lies about a mile from the windwardmoſt point of Miniſter-Bay.

SANDY-

SANDY-BAY,

Is a very large road, with good anchorage in general:—his majeſty's ſhips frequently repair hither for ſafety in the hurricane months. In ſailing round Buccoo-ſhoal, keep about two cables length from the breakers, and it is perfectly ſafe.

COURLAND-BAY.

If you arrive in the night, and do not care to puſh in here, there is very good anchorage to the windward of the bluff, from ſix to twenty fathom regular ſoundings; in the day there is no danger, but from the beef-barrel, which is ſo near the ſhore, no prudent ſeaman will come near it.

MAN OF WAR-BAY.

No ſounding till you are cloſe in, and then from forty to twenty fathom.

KING's-BAY,

Is ſpacious, and has good anchorage any where within the windward point. In the day-

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time the high land, or the windward point, intercepts the trade-wind, and the ſwell from the eaſtward is apt to ſet a veſſel down on the leeward point, which projects farther to the ſouthward; therefore the beſt time to ſail out, is early in the morning, about day-break, when the wind blows freſh off land to the northward.

Most of the other bays have ſafe anchorage for veſſels of 150 tons, and under.

ERRATA.

Page 22 line 6 for *thirty-three*, read *thirty*.
Page 27 ——16 for *ſurround*, read *ſurrounds*.
Page 45 ——6 for *Wm. and Jn. Iriſh*, read *Wm. and Sam. Iriſh*.

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